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NOTIFICATION

No.KLS/8032/2025-Legin1 *Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26th September 2025.*

THE UNIVERSITY LAWS (AMENDMENT) (No.3) BILL, 2025 together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons and Financial Memorandum is published, under rule 69(1) of the rules of procedure and conduct of business in the Kerala Legislative Assembly.

Dr. N. Krishna Kumar,
Secretary

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Fifteenth Kerala Legislative Assembly
Bill No. 281

THE UNIVERSITY LAWS (AMENDMENT) (No.3) BILL, 2025

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further to amend the Kerala Agricultural University Act, 1971, the Kerala University Act, 1974, the Calicut University Act, 1975, the Mahatma Gandhi University Act, 1985, the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Act, 1994, the Kannur University Act, 1996, the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010 and the Kerala University of Health Sciences Act, 2010.

Preamble.-WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Kerala Agricultural University Act, 1971 (33 of 1971), the Kerala University Act, 1974 (17 of 1974), the Calicut University Act, 1975 (5 of 1975), the Mahatma Gandhi University Act, 1985 (12 of 1985), the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Act, 1994 (5 of 1994), the Kannur University Act, 1996 (22 of 1996), the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010 (3 of 2011) and the Kerala University of Health Sciences Act, 2010 (4 of 2011) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

BE it enacted in the Seventy-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

1. *Short title and commencement.*- (1) This Act may be called the University Laws (Amendment) (No.3) Act, 2025.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of Act 33 of 1971.*- In the Kerala Agricultural University Act, 1971 (33 of 1971), after section 16, the following section shall be inserted, namely:-

"16A. *Meetings of the Executive Committee.*- The Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Executive Committee at least once in two months:

Provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the

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Executive Committee within seven days if one-third of the total number of its members request it in writing.".

3. *Amendment of Act 17 of 1974.*- In the Kerala University Act, 1974 (17 of 1974), after section 23A, the following section shall be inserted, namely:-

"23B. *Meeting of the Syndicate.*-The Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate at least once in two months:

Provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate within seven days if one-third of the total number of its members request it in writing.".

4. *Amendment of Act 5 of 1975.*- In the Calicut University Act, 1975 (5 of 1975), after section 23A, the following section shall be inserted, namely:-

"23B. *Meeting of the Syndicate.*-The Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate at least once in two months:

Provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate within seven days if one-third of the total number of its members request it in writing.".

5.*Amendment of Act 12 of 1985.*-In the Mahatma Gandhi University Act, 1985 (12 of 1985), after section 23, the following section shall be inserted, namely:-

"23A. *Meeting of the Syndicate.*- The Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate at least once in two months:

Provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate within seven days if one-third of the total number of its members request it in writing.".

6. *Amendment of Act 5 of 1994.*-In the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Act, 1994 (5 of 1994), in section 15, after sub-section (1), the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-

"Provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate within seven days if one-third of the total number of its members request it in writing.".

7. *Amendment of Act 22 of 1996.*-In the Kannur University Act, 1996 (22 of 1996),

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after section 25, the following section shall be inserted, namely:-

"25A. *Meeting of the Syndicate.*- The Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate at least once in two months:

Provided that the the Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Syndicate within seven days if one-third of the total number of its members request it in writing.".

8. *Amendment of Act 3 of 2011.*-In the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010 (3 of 2011),-

(i) in section 25, sub-section (2) shall be omitted;

(ii) after section 26, the following section shall be inserted, namely:-

"26A. *Meeting of Board of Management.*- The Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Board of Management at least once in two months:

Provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Board of Management within seven days if one-third of the total number of its members request it in writing.".

9. *Amendment of Act 4 of 2011.*-In the Kerala University of Health Sciences Act, 2010 (4 of 2011), after section 23, the following section shall be inserted, namely:-

"23A. *Meeting of the Governing Council.*-The Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Governing Council at least once in two months:

Provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall convene a meeting of the Governing Council within seven days if one-third of the total number of its members request it in writing.".

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Government have decided to insert a new provision, to enable the Vice-Chancellors of the respective Universities to convene meetings of the Executive

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Committee/Syndicate/Board of Management/Governing Council, as the case may be, on the request of one-third of its total members in writing, in the Kerala Agricultural University Act, 1971 (33 of 1971), the Kerala University Act, 1974 (17 of 1974), the Calicut University Act, 1975 (5 of 1975), the Mahatma Gandhi University Act, 1985 (12 of 1985), the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Act, 1994 (5 of 1994), the Kannur University Act, 1996 (22 of 1996), the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010 (3 of 2011) and the Kerala University of Health Sciences Act, 2010 (4 of 2011).

2. The Bill seeks to achieve the above object.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

The Bill, if enacted and brought into operation, would not involve additional expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of the State.

DR. R. BINDU.

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